

Nashville District

## Notice to Navigation Interests

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## SUBJECT: Proposed Closure of Tennessee River Miles 21.1 to 22.4

The Tennessee River between the I-24 Bridge at Mile 21.1 and Kentucky Lock at Mile 22.4 will be closed to navigation traffic for up to 24 hours during the float-in of the truss section of the new Paducah and Louisville railroad bridge in the lock's lower approach. During the closure, no vessels will be allowed between the I-24 Bridge at Tennessee River Mile 21.1 and Kentucky Lock at TRM 22.4, including the area of the mooring cells located upstream of the I-24 bridge.

Once the span has been moved from its assembly area to the approach canal below the lock, the river between the I-24 Bridge and the mooring cells at Mile 21.5 will be re-opened to commercial traffic. The area below the dam will also be re-opened to recreational vessels. However, the lower approach canal will remain closed until the span has been secured and supporting floating plant has been removed from the lower approach canal.

The proposed date for this closure is Wednesday, 19 August 2009. The closure is estimated to last for no more than 24 hours. However, the closure could last for as long as 72 hours should unforeseen problems arise. Every effort will be made to ensure the channel is re-opened as soon as possible.

Please note that because of the nature of this activity, weather conditions or water surface elevations below Kentucky Dam could cause a postponement of the operation on less than one day's notice. If the operation is postponed, it will be rescheduled as soon as weather and/or water conditions allow. Listen to USCG radio broadcasts for the status of this river closure.

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